

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANT: G. B. Kirby Meacham CONF. NO.: 2387  
U.S. SERIAL NO: 10/535,162 EXAMINER: E. Wang  
FILED: May 16, 2005 GROUP: 1795  
FOR: DIFFUSION STABILIZED GAS BARRIERS

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir/Madam:

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Applicant is in receipt of the Office Action dated December 5, 2008 of the above-identified application.

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicant provisionally elects Group I, claims 1-14, without traverse. The present election is made solely to comply with the Office Action and should not be construed as a surrender of any subject matter of the application. Applicant reserves the right to file divisional application(s) on the non-elected claims.

It is respectfully submitted that the subject application is in condition for examination and allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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